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(Case No. 98,614-D)

In re Application of:)
John DeBernardis, et al.)
U.S Application No.: 10/017,822)
Application Filing Date: December 12, 2001)
For: Purified Antigen for Alzheimer's Disease,)
and Methods of Obtaining and Using Same)
Examiner: S. Gucker
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In the judgment of the undersigned, the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 may be material to the Examiner's consideration of the presently pending claims. However, the references have not been reviewed in sufficient detail to make any other representation and, in particular, no representation is intended as to the relative relevance between references, whether cited in this statement or prior statements. This statement is not a representation that the listed references have effective dates early enough to be "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §102.

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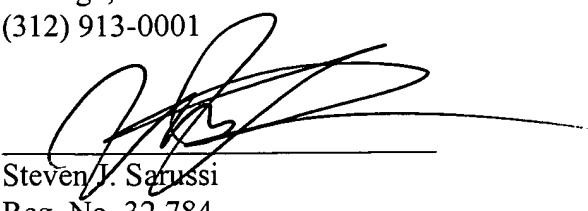
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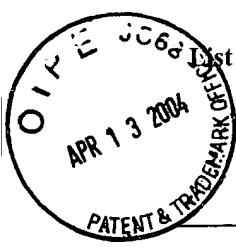
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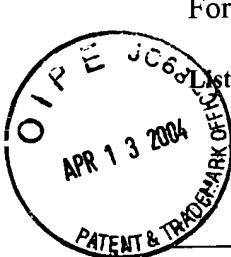
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